

## PLACER COUNTY SHERIFF CORONER-MARSHAL



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## PRESS RELEASE

Date/Time of Release:

December 26, 2006 0800 hours

Date/Time of Occurrence:

December 25, 2006 1630 hours Attempted Murder

Nature of Call: Location of Call:

Case Number:

Loomis, Placer County, California

S0-06-17680

Released by:

Lieutenant Jeffrey Ausnow

## SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

Placer County Sheriff's deputies responded to the 2800 block of Swetzer Rd in Loomis after the homeowner called 911 and reported a gunshot injury. Deputies located Paul Macola, 2-7-64, in a bedroom at the residence with a shotgun injury to the leg. The suspected shooter had fled the residence prior to deputies arriving on scene. Macola was taken to SRMC for treatment.

Subsequent investigation revealed the following details:

The suspect, 19 yr old Phillip Wesley Hodge, was at the residence for a Christmas dinner along with several family friends. The victim, Macola, had arrived at the residence a short time before 1600 hrs. Macola and Hodge became embroiled in an argument concerning a prior incident they were involved with.

During the argument, Hodge brandished a 12 gauge shotgun and fired a single round into Macola's leg. Hodge had fled the scene prior to the deputies arrival. Deputies located the weapon during the scene investigation.

Deputies conducted a search of the area with the assistance of CHP air support and Placer County K-9's. Despite an exhaustive search, Hodge was not located and remains at large.

The extent of Macola's injuries are not known at this time but are not believed to be life threatening.

During the investigation, two other individuals were arrested at the residence: a juvenile for interfering with the scene investigation and Harmon Barker, 18 yrs for being under the influence of a controlled substance.

If you have any information on the whereabouts of Phillip Hodge, you are encouraged to contact the Placer County Sheriff's Department.



Phillip Wesley Hodge, 19 yrs. May have grown a goatee since this photo was taken.